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set forth in this declaration unless otherwise stated and could competently testify thereto if called as a witness.

- 2. I am currently set for trial on a trial docket beginning July 21, 2008, in the case styled and numbered, *Karla Armas v. Basic Materials, Inc., et al.*, Cause No. 2007-36747, the 80<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas. I represent *Karla Armas* in this matter.
- 3. Attached to Plaintiffs Motion to Reset the Hearing as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the Docket Control Order in the aforementioned case, *Armas v. Basic Materials*, *Inc.* There is no indication that this case will not go to trial as currently scheduled. *Basic Materials* has not responded to any of *Karla Armas*' settlement demands. I have no reasonable reason to believe the case will settle before trial.
- 4. In the instant case, I have attempted to meet and confer with counsel for Defendants to reschedule the hearing on Defendants' Motion for Assessment of Fees and Costs Against Plaintiffs and for Stay or Dismissal of Proceedings Pending Payment for a date after August 4, 2008.
- 5. Attached to Plaintiffs' Motion to Reset Hearing Motion as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of a letter from Defendants' counsel wherein Defendants refused to reset the hearing currently scheduled for July 23, 2008.
- 6. Upon information and belief, the trial of *Karla Armas v. Basic Materials* should be completed no later than August 4, 2008.

## I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct except as 7. to matters stated to be upon information and belief., and as to those matters, I believe them to be true. Dated: July 2, 2008 FARRAR & BALL, LLP /s/ Michael Hawash Michael Hawash, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiffs

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that a true and correct copy of the above and forgoing document was sent via ELECTRONIC SERVICE (through ECF website) to the counsel listed below on July 2, 2008:

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## Via Facsimile Only

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Salinas, et al. v. Amteck, et al.

Dear Mr. Hawash:

This letter is in response to your assistant's request that the hearing date of July 23, 2008 be moved. I have checked with my clients and they will not consent to moving the hearing date. As set forth in the pending motion, my clients have been subjected to what they consider substantial, unnecessary expense by your office.

Because you have requested that this case be put on an expedited schedule, it makes sense that this motion be heard sooner rather than later.

Sincerely,

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